GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1411
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2001
POLICE ACT, 1861
GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAV

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Police Commission has recommended to amend the Police Act, 1861;

(b) whether some of the State Governments have enacted their own Police Acts;

(c) whether the State Governments are empowered to enact their own Acts;

(d) if so, the facts in this regard; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a): Yes, Sir. The National Police Commission has recommended replacement of the Police Act, 1861.

(b)to(e): `Police` is a State subject as per the Constitution of India. As such, it is for the State Governments to have their own Police Acts enacted. Some State Governments have already done so.